



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Thomas C. Naratil

Serial No.: 09/617,853

Filed: July 17, 2000

For: System for Trading Fixed Income
Financial Instruments: U.S. Treasury
Securities, Liquid Agencies and Zero Coupon
Strips

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) **Group Art Unit:** 3624

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) **Examiner:** Ella Colbert

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2005

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated September 21, 2005, for which a shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 21, 2005.

Enclosed is a Petition to extend the time for response by three months to March 21, 2006. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any LARGE ENTITY fees, or credit any overpayments, in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 16-2500. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.